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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered in the captioned patent application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Applicant submits the foregoing amendments to place the case in even better condition for allowance or appeal.

This paper is submitted in response to the final Office Action dated July 27, 2005, for which the three-month date for response is October 27, 2005.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Director is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2103.013700RE.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments to the claims (pp. 3-7) and remarks (pp. 8-9) is respectfully requested.